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RE: Comporium Communications price increase

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To Whom It May Concern:

I am a customer of Comporium Communications in Rock Hill, SC. I am writing to ask that you deny Comporium's request for a price increase for telephone and cable service.

Comporium's executive vice president, Glenn McFadden, was quoted in the *The Herald* as saying the price increase is necessary due to "increased competition". This reason is absurd. If a company wants to sell more of a product *they reduce prices*. Competition is good for the consumer and for businesses. If Comporium provided superior products and services then they wouldn't need to worry about competition from wireless providers.

I have been a Comporium / Rock Hill Telephone Company customer for 10 years. I am totally dissatisfied with their customer service and the selection of their products and services. The best thing that could happen for customers in Comporium's territory is for another service provider to compete with them for telephone, cable and internet service.

Granting a price increase will only allow Comporium to continue offering mediocre products at a higher price, all while enjoying freedom from true market competition.

Sincerely,

Brian Sambuco